

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 610, Protecting Medicare and American Farmers from Sequester Cuts Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9053–S9100

Measures Introduced: Twenty-seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3349–3375, and S.J. Res. 32. **Pages S9093–94**

Measures Reported:

S. 1428, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, and to prohibit biological product manufacturers from compensating biosimilar and interchangeable companies to delay the entry of biosimilar biological products and interchangeable biological products, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9093**

Measures Passed:

Support for the People of the Republic of South Sudan: Senate agreed to S. Res. 380, reiterating United States support for the people of the Republic of South Sudan in their quest for lasting peace, stability, and democracy after 10 years of independence and calling for a review of United States policy toward South Sudan, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute and amendment to the preamble. **Pages S9082–85**

Joseph Woodrow Hatchett United States Courthouse and Federal Building: Senate passed S. 2938, to designate the United States Courthouse and Federal Building located at 111 North Adams Street in Tallahassee, Florida, as the “Joseph Woodrow Hatchett United States Courthouse and Federal Building”. **Page S9085**

Odell Horton Federal Building: Senate passed H.R. 390, to redesignate the Federal building located at 167 North Main Street in Memphis, Tennessee as the “Odell Horton Federal Building”. **Page S9085**

Frederick P. Stamp, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse: Senate passed H.R. 4660, to designate the Federal Building and United States Courthouse located at 1125 Chapline Street in Wheeling, West Virginia, as the “Frederick P. Stamp, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. **Page S9085**

Placement of a Statue: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. 3294, to obtain and direct the placement in the Capitol or on the Capitol Grounds of a statue to honor Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States Sandra Day O'Connor and a statue to honor Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S9085–86**

House Messages:

Protecting Medicare and American Farmers from Sequester Cuts Act: By 59 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 491), Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 610, to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals, after taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9053–81**

Withdrawn:

Schumer motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, with Schumer Amendment No. 4871 (to the House amendment), to add an effective date. **Page S9081**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 64 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 490), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Schumer motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill. **Page S9057**

Schumer motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Schumer Amendment No. 4873, to add an effective date, fell when cloture was invoked on Schumer motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill. **Page S9081**

Schumer Amendment No. 4874 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 4873) of the motion to refer), to modify the effective date, fell when Schumer motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Schumer Amendment No. 4873 (listed above) fell. **Page S9081**

Schumer Amendment No. 4875 (to Amendment No. 4874), to modify the effective date, fell when Schumer Amendment No. 4874 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 4873) of the motion to refer) (listed above) fell. **Page S9081**

Schumer Amendment No. 4872 (to Amendment No. 4871), to modify the effective date, fell when Schumer motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, with Schumer Amendment No. 4871 (to the House amendment) (listed above) was withdrawn. **Page S9081**

Koh Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Lucy Haeran Koh, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Page S9081**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 492), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S9081**

Sung Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Jennifer Sung, of Oregon, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Pages S9081–82**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 48 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. EX. 493), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S9081–82**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that all post-cloture time on the nominations of Lucy Haeran Koh, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Jennifer Sung, of Oregon, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, be expired and the vote on confirmation of the nomination of Lucy Haeran Koh occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, December 13, 2021, and the vote on confirmation of the nomination of Jennifer Sung occur at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader; and that the motions to invoke cloture on the nomination of Samantha D. El-

liott, of New Hampshire, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire, and on the House message to accompany S. 1605, to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, ripen on Tuesday, December 14, 2021. **Page S9078**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, December 13, 2021, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Samantha D. Elliott, of New Hampshire, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire. **Page S9100**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Stephen A. Owens, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Sylvia E. Johnson, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years. **Page S9082**

Messages from the House: **Pages S9092–93**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S9097–S9100**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S9100**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—493) **Pages S9057, S9081–82**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:46 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, December 13, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9100.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DISRUPTING DANGEROUS ALGORITHMS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, Media, and Broadband concluded a hearing to examine disrupting dangerous algorithms, focusing on addressing the harms of persuasive technology, after receiving testimony from Jessica J. Gonzalez, Free Press Action, and James Poulos, Claremont Institute, both of Los Angeles, California; Rose Jackson, Atlantic Council, San Francisco, California; and Dean Eckles,